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St. James Roman Catholic Church,
a diverse community rooted in vibrant
Eucharistic Liturgy, serves those in need
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*Saint James Church is
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the Most Holy Trinity*



SUNDAY MASS

9:30 a.m.
11:30 a.m.
*1:00 p.m.
*Español/Spanish
(Church & On-line)

DAILY MASS

Monday - Friday
7:30 a.m.
(Chapel & On-line)

**OFFICE
HOURS**

Monday - Thursday
9:00 a.m.– 4:00 p.m.

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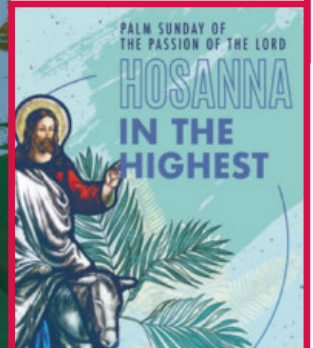
First Friday of the Month
8:30 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.
(Chapel)
Every Saturday
And Confessions
@ Missionary Servant House
3347 S. Michigan
3:30 to 5:00 pm

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

“Blessed is the king who comes
in the name of the Lord.”
- Lk 19:38

DOMINGO DE RAMOS DE LA PASIÓN DE CRISTO

“¡Bendito el rey
que viene en el nombre del Señor!”
- Lc 19, 38



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ON THE WAY....



May the grace and peace of the Holy Spirit be with us forever.

Palm Sunday inaugurates Holy Week by taking us on a roller coaster. We begin the service with the triumphal procession in imitation of the experience of Jesus entering Jerusalem. The waving of the palms, the singing of the hymns, the movement of the entire community signifies the royal entrance of Jesus into the Holy City. But as the Palm Sunday service continues the mood shifts with the proclamation of the Passion. From a triumphal entry we hear a story of suffering and death. Holy Week is shaped in such a way that the notes of triumph and tragedy whirl around each other. We enter into the week so that our own lives, also characterized by triumph and tragedy, will find their meaning and purpose in the life and example of Jesus. We know that Easter is coming, that God wins in the end. However, the liturgy demands that we go through the “valley of darkness” on our journey to the glory of Easter. We are called to unite our story with the story of Jesus in the events of Holy Week.

The Passion of Jesus as found in the Gospel of Luke is proclaimed this year. Each of the gospel writers highlights different aspects of the Jesus story. For example, in the story of the Agony in the Garden Jesus is not portrayed as being completely crushed, “sorrowful unto death” who collapses to the ground. Instead, he kneels and prays and is comforted by an angel, as if in answer to his prayer. During the arrest he heals the severed ear of the enemy, and late on the cross he prays that God forgives his enemies since “they know not what they do.” The betrayal of Jesus by Peter is punctuated in St. Luke’s gospel with a look, a tender glance of love which causes Peter’s immediate remorse. During the trial scenes Jesus in Luke’s gospel keeps his dignity in the face of hatred and opposition. Luke adds a scene to the account of Pilate sending Jesus to Herod as part of the trial. The sentence that Jesus was innocent is thus reinforced by the testimony of a known enemy of the first Christians. The third gospel includes Jesus comforting the “women of Jerusalem” even in the midst of his march toward execution. It is not his own sufferings that he is concerned about but what “they and their children” will shortly have to endure. The poignant scene of Jesus forgiving the “good thief” on the cross also shows he was not concentrating on his own sufferings but on what those around him were going through. Jesus’ dying words on the cross are not the anguished cry of “My God, My God, why have you abandoned me” that we hear in Matthew and Mark but rather the message of completion, of a job well done. “Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.”

As we go through the events of Holy Week this year we must bring our own stories into the story of Jesus. Our sufferings only find meaning in the larger picture of God’s redemptive purpose. And, as St. Luke wants us to understand, Jesus shows us that suffering does not get the last word if we keep our faith in God’s love for us no matter what.

In the Most Holy Trinity,
Fr. John Edmunds, S.T

Sun 4/13	5th Sunday Of Lent	
	9:30 a.m.	Mass (Presentation Hall & On-line) https://zoom.us/j/622647147 Passcode: SJSUNDAY (57935957)
	†	For the people of St. James
	11:30 a.m.	Mass (Presentation Hall)
	1:00 p.m.	Mass - Español/Spanish (Presentation Hall)
Mon 4/14	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line)
Tue 4/15	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line)
	†	Peter Marano by Mena Marano
Wed 4/16	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line)
Thurs 4/17	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line)
	†	Dina Williams in memoriam by The Family
	6:30 p.m.	Holy Thursday/Jueves Santo Bilingual/Bilingüe (Church & On-line)
Fri 4/18	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Chapel & On-line)
	3:00 p.m.	Stations Of The Cross (Church)
	6:30 p.m.	Passion Of The Christ (Church & On-line)
	8:00 p.m.	Viernes Santo - Español/Spanish (Church)
Sat 4/19	8:00	Easter Vigil (Church & On-line)
Sun 4/20	Easter Sunday	
	9:30 a.m.	Mass (Presentation Hall & On-line) https://zoom.us/j/622647147 Passcode: SJSUNDAY (57935957)
	†	Anna, Louis, Peter Marano and Ralph Garofalo by Mena Marano
	10:30 a.m.	Easter Egg Hunt
	11:30 a.m.	SPRED Mass—Español/Spanish (Presentation Hall)
	1:00 p.m.	Mass - Español/Spanish (Presentation Hall)



St. James’ annual
Easter Egg Hunt will
be after the Easter
9:30 Sunday Mass on Sunday,
April 20. Please bring a basket if
you can.
All are welcome!

Easter Week Services (Church & On-line)

April 17 - April 20

Holy Thursday

**6:30 pm Holy Thursday/Jueves Santo
Bilingual/Bilingüe**
(Adoration Following in the Rectory 2942 S.
Wabash until 10 pm)

Good Friday

3:00 pm Stations of the Cross
6:30 pm The Passion of the Lord
8:00 pm Viernes Santo Español/Spanish

Holy Saturday

8:00 pm Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday

9:30 am Resurrection of the Lord
11:30 Domingo de Resurrección
SPRED Español/Spanish
1:00 pm Domingo de Resurrección
Español/Spanish

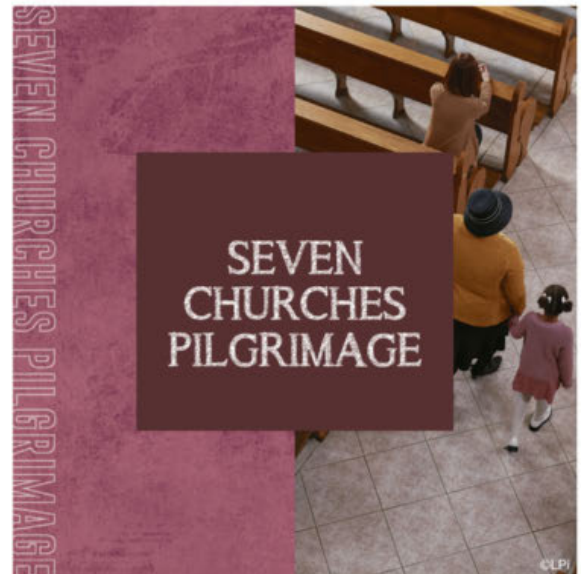
Live The Liturgy

Inspiration of the Week

The disciples followed Jesus' careful instructions for his entry to Jerusalem, even though they did not understand his words. Today, we too, look ahead to his arrival. In obedience, let us prepare the way for the King.

Observances for the week of April 13, 2025

Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
Tuesday: Tax Day
Thursday: Holy Thursday
Friday: Good Friday
Saturday: Holy Saturday
Next Sunday: Easter Sunday



Devotions, *Explained!*

The Seven Churches Pilgrimage is the practice of visiting seven different churches on Holy Thursday, in imitation of the journey of Christ on the eve of his crucifixion, when he asked his disciples to stay with him as he awaited his Passion and death.

Prayer for Holy Week

Dear Lord,
I open my heart to You,
offering every day and night to
You in sacred surrender. I pray
for the grace to accompany
You in a special way this Holy
Week, joining and offering the
trials I encounter on our shared
journey to the cross and to a
victorious hope.
Amen.

©LPi SUNDAY, APRIL 13, 2025 | PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD



St. James has a google form for submitting prayer requests:

<https://forms.gle/ZgbVkgarRRgDmJR6A>



In Our Prayers



Our Home Bound:

Margie Bass
Paul Freeman
Orean Perry
Juanita James
Barbara Southhall

Our Sick:
Aayliah Cooper
Patsy Cunningham

Marvelean Doss
Claude Fisher
Paul Kanzer
Linda Griffin Kennard
Nancy McCarthy
Samuel Akuo Opong Duah
Sandra Reynolds
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